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It doesn't seem to me that the proposed settlement is in the best interest of the public, nor does it adequately punish for past anticompetetive practices, or prevent further ones.

While I cannot wade through the legalese of the entire settlement fast enough to form a point by point argument for this, I do know that the settlement has been progressively watered down to the point of being a mere slap on the wrist.

If this is truly a government of by and for the people, do not pass the settlement in its current form. The peoples' best interest has been replaced with the interest of the Microsoft Corporation...

thanks for listening,

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